

Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1-32 (cancelled).

Claim 33 (new): A paper packaging ski comprising:

an edge extending longitudinally along a first direction and having a pair of opposing lateral surfaces extending from the edge; and

a notch extending into the edge and extending longitudinally a sufficient distance to support a clip of paper.

Claim 34 (new): The paper packaging ski of claim 0 wherein the notch extends at least $\frac{1}{4}$ inch into the edge.

Claim 35 (new): The paper packaging ski of claim 0 wherein the notch extends at least $\frac{1}{2}$ inch into the edge.

Claim 36 (new): The paper packaging ski of claim 0 wherein the edge has a length and the notch extends longitudinally the length of the edge.

Claim 37 (new): The paper packaging ski of claim 0 wherein the edge comprises a ramped portion which extends at an angle relative to another portion of the edge.

Claim 38 (new): The paper packaging ski of claim 0 wherein the ramped portion extends at a 9 degree angle relative to the another portion of the edge.